

# OFFICE OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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## Stakeholder Meeting Agenda

- I. Welcome: Deputy Secretary Simon Gonsoulin
- II. Update on Reform Activities: Deputy Secretary Simon Gonsoulin
- III. Break
- IV. Breakout into 5 Workgroups for Strategic Planning
- V. Return from Workgroups to discuss outcomes

Participants will choose the workgroup in which they would like to contribute ideas regarding strategies, objectives, and measures for the Strategic Plan Initiatives. These include:

### **Initiative One: Safety First**

Safety first means that OYD values the safety of the youth placed in our care and the staff that provide services to them. This includes having a workforce focused on the rehabilitative needs of our youth. We believe that safety is the foundation and prerequisite for treatment. We promote a safe environment for our youth, families, staff, and communities.

### **Initiative Two: Family Involvement**

At OYD, we encourage and support productive family participation in rehabilitation for youth placed in our care. Our investment in youth and families today strengthens families tomorrow.

### **Initiative Three: Quality Seamless Continuum of Care**

Establishing a quality seamless continuum of care means developing partnerships between families, employees, natural supports, and community agencies in a statewide continuum of services which address the needs of youth and their families.

### **Initiative Four: Community Involvement & Partnership**

Partnering with the community affords our youth the opportunity to belong and contribute, to form close relationships, make meaningful choices, develop transferable skills, make healthy decisions, and mentor others while avoiding harmful behavior.

### **Initiative Five: Data Driven Outcomes**

OYD values evidence-based practices that promote measurable outcomes and quality services. We are committed to accurately reporting information that "tells the story" about the youth we serve. We support advances in information technology to improve data resources and information sharing internally and externally. We use this data to determine, anticipate, and respond appropriately to the needs of our youth, staff, stakeholders, and community partners.

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